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AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) COMMITTEE MINUTES
February 27, 2023

Present: Evan Brassard (Town Administrator), Jay Cummings (Grafton School Superintendent), Anne Marie Foley (Select Board Member), Mary Lauria (Finance Director), Laura Often (Vice Chair, Grafton School Committee), Paul Cournoyer (DPW Superintendent), Jim Erskine (Community Member at Large)

Absent: Heather McCue (Finance Committee Member)

The meeting convened at 5:04 pm in Conference Room G.

AGENDA:

❖ **Approve Minutes –**

- ✓ 11-07-22 minutes approved. all voted yes, except Heather who was not present at time of vote.

❖ **Review Mental Health Programs**

➤ **STOPit Solutions**

Allows individuals to anonymously report safety, misconduct, or compliance concerns to help others or connect with a Crisis Counselor from the Crisis Text Line™ to help themselves.

24/7/365 Incident Response Center to monitor, manage and immediately escalate life-threatening concerns and incidents

- Evan will schedule a meeting with STOPit Solutions

❖ **Fuel Assistance**

- Select Board voted 20K for fuel assistance for any Grafton resident in need.

❖ **Senior Center Van**

- Additional Senior Van needed to assist residents with doctor appointments, and or food shopping. Estimate for Van is 60K. Would like to move out of FY23 Capital plan so van can be ordered as lead time for vehicles are now well over a year.

- Mary made a motion for Select Board to approve this project for 60K.
- Paul seconded the motion. All present voted yes.

❖ **Adult Exercise Equipment**

- Ann Marie looked further into outdoor exercise equipment pricing.
- Ann Marie made a motion for Select Board to approve this project for 50K.
- Jim seconded the motion. All present voted yes.

Next Meeting scheduled for TBD.

Meeting ended at 5:29pm

Respectfully submitted,
Mary K. Lauria
Finance Director, Town of Grafton